



## Commissioner Adrian Garcia

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter regarding Rosalinda Martinez' Nomination for the Houston Business Journal's 40 Under 40 Recognition. I have known Rosalinda for some time, first during her role at the Houston Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and now as the Director of Community Strategy at AARP Texas. I got to work closely with Rosalinda during her appointment as Co-Chair of the Harris County Senior Care Facility Task Force for Precinct 2. I created this task force during the COVID-19 pandemic to design a program allowing senior care facilities to apply for county grants to make them more resilient to future pandemics and natural disasters. We know how severely impacted senior care facilities were in the early phases of the pandemic. Having had a community leader like Rosalinda, who not only represents and advocates for the Latino community but is now also an advocate for the older adult population, was an asset to our task force.

Rosalinda was instrumental in helping us identify questions and issues of concern as the task force distributed a survey to gather information and present recommendations for navigating the senior care facility crisis and keeping residents safe. I was very grateful for Rosalinda's knowledge and research that allowed Precinct 2 to provide a set of guidelines and recommendations produced by the task force to serve as a framework for other senior care facilities throughout Harris County.

Rosalinda's work in the community over the last ten years while working for the US Census Bureau, the Houston Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and AARP Texas is notable. Rosalinda's knowledge of the Houston landscape and understanding of the needs of the Latino community make her an asset to your organization and our community. Most recently, she was awarded the Young Philanthropist of the Year recognition by the Latino Learning Center for advocating for the most vulnerable during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Harris County is lucky to have community leaders like Rosalinda advocating for our constituents' needs, especially in times like today.

Sincerely,

Commissioner Adrian Garcia  
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